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FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FOR AMBASSADOR VAKY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CO, PN, OAS

SUBJECT: ROGERS MEETING WITH LIEVANO

1. I TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY OF LIEVANO'S PRESENCE HERE TO MEET WITH HIM LAST EVENING ON PANAMA AND OAS.

2. ON PANAMA, HE THOUGHT OUR RECENT STATEMENTS ABOUT PROGRESS JUST RIGHT. HE IS CONTENT WITH THE PRESENT SITUATION, UNDERSTANDS FULLY THE CONSTRAINTS WHICH BEAR ON OUR POSITION JUST NOW, AND IS PERSUADED OF OUR GOOD FAITH. HE URGES THAT THIS IS THE GOVERNMENT WITH WHICH WE SHOULD NEGOTIATE.

3. ON THE OAS, HE BEGAN BY TAXING US ONCE AGAIN--GENTLY AS BEFORE--WITH IGNORING LATIN AMERICA. HE MUSED ABOUT THE DESIRABILITY OF REPRODUCING LOME IN THIS QUARTER OF THE WORLD. WHEN WE GOT TO CONCRETE ISSUES, THOUGH, HE IS QUITE AT ONE WITH US ABOUT THE DISUTILITY OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL (INCLUDING PITY) AND THE NEED TO STRENGTHEN THE SECRETARIATE AND THE FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETINGS. WHY NOT TWO A YEAR, HE ASKED. I TOLD HIM YOU WOULD BE TALKING TO HIM ABOUT OUR IDEAS IN DETAIL. HE SOUNDED RECEPTIVE. WHETHER HE WILL GO ALL THE WAY WITH US IS THE NEXT QUESTION. THE PURPOSE OF MY VISIT WAS
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TO EMPHASIZE TO HIM THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACHED TO YOUR FORTH-

COMING TALKS WITH HIM ON THIS ISSUE.

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